

thereof, and authorizing the board of trustees to levy, assess and collect special taxes, and conferring upon the board of trustees plenary powers and authority to issue bonds for the purpose of purchasing school sites and erecting, furnishing and equipping school buildings within the same, and to pay current expenses in the maintenance and support of said schools, and further prescribing the duties and authorities of said board."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

LOONEY, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 22, 1905.

Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 134, being "An Act to repeal all of Articles 1010c, 1010d, 1010e, 1010f and 1010g, Title XVIII, Chapter 13, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

LOONEY, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 22, 1905.

Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 211, being "An Act to amend Chapter 2, Title XXI, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, by adding thereto Article 650b, authorizing incorporation for two or more distinct purposes and separate franchise tax for each purpose, and with an emergency clause."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

LOONEY, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 21, 1905.

Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 210, being "An Act to amend subdivision I, of Article 3139, Chapter 1, Title LXII, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to qualifications of jurors, and declaring an emergency."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

LOONEY, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 22, 1905.

Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed

Bills have carefully examined and compared.

Senate bill No. 122, being "An Act to change and prescribe the time for holding district courts in the Thirty-first Judicial District of this State, to conform all writs and processes from such courts to such changes and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

LOONEY, Acting Chairman.

THIRTY-SECOND DAY.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas,

Friday, February 24, 1905.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment, Lieutenant Governor Geo. D. Neal in the chair.

Roll call. Quorum present, the following senators answering to their names:

Barrett.	Hawkins.
Brachfield.	Hicks.
Decker.	Looney.
Faulk.	Martin.
Faust.	McKamy.
Glasscock.	Smith.
Griggs.	Stafford.
Grinnan.	Stone.
Hale.	Terrell.
Harbison.	Willacy.
Harper.	

Absent.

Beaty.	Holland.
Chambers.	Meachum.
Davidson.	Pau'us.
Hanger.	Skinner.
Hill.	Stokes.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. H. M. Sears.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, on motion of Senator Faust the same was dispensed with.

EXCUSED.

On motion of Senator Glasscock, Senator Hill was excused from attendance upon the Senate for today on account of business.

On motion of Senator Stone, Senator Stokes was excused from attendance upon the Senate for today on account of sickness.

On motion of Senator Faulk, Senator Skinner was excused from attendance upon the Senate for today on account of business.

On motion of Senator Terrell, Senator Chambers was excused from attendance upon the Senate for today on account of sickness.

PETITION.

By Senator Grinnan:
Llano, Texas, January 21, 1905.
"Hon. Arch. Grinnan, Austin, Texas.
"Esteemed Sir: We, the undersigned members of the Llano bar, heartily endorsing the bill now pending to increase the salary of district judges, trust that you will give the same your support.

"Very respectfully,"

Numerously signed.
(See appendix for committee reports.)

BILLS READ AND REFERRED.

The Chair, Lieutenant Governor Geo. D. Neal, had read and referred, after their captions had been read, the following House bills:
House bill No. 390.
Referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.
Morning call concluded.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Senator Willacy, the Senate adjourned till Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock.

APPENDIX.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE NO. 1.

(Majority Report.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 23, 1905.
Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 118,

A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 643 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, prescribing what must be set forth in the charter of a domestic corporation,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

HICKS, Chairman.

(Minority Report.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 23, 1905.
Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: A minority of your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred,

Senate bill No. 118, a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 643 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, prescribing what must be set forth in the charter of a domestic corporation,"

Have had the same under consideration, and we refer it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

HICKS, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 23, 1905.
Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred,

Senate bill No. 197, a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 5065, Title 104, Chapter 2, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, so as to define and exempt the property of charitable institutions from taxation,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

HICKS, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 23, 1905.
Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 191, a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 5353 of the Revised Statutes of Texas of 1895, relating to the probate of wills,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

HICKS, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 23, 1905.
Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 243, a bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the manner of issuance of municipal bonds

and the sale thereof; prescribing penalties for the violation hereof, and to repeal Articles 466 and 918b and 3995 of the Revised Statutes of 1895, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

HICKS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 23, 1905.

Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 180, a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3507 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1895, relating to the seal of office of notary public,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

HICKS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 22, 1905.

Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 233, a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 975, Chapter 8, Title XXVII, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, concerning judgments of the Supreme Court,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

HICKS, Chairman.

ENGROSSING DEPARTMENT.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 23, 1905.

Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 17, being "An Act to inhibit owners, managers and lessees of billiard halls, pool halls and ten pin and bowling alleys, and their clerks and employes, from permitting persons under 21 years of age to play at any game of billiards or pool or roll upon any ten pin or bowling alley, or permit them to enter and remain in such place of business, whether intoxicating liquors are sold therein or not, and to provide a penalty for a violation of this act,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

BARRETT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 23, 1905.

Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 208, being "An Act to fix the time of holding the courts in the Fourth Judicial District of Texas, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

BARRETT, Chairman.

EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 23, 1905.

Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 218, a bill to be entitled "An Act to provide a more efficient system of public free schools for the State of Texas; defining the school funds; providing for the investment of the permanent fund, and the apportionment of the available fund; defining the duties of certain State officers in reference to the public free schools; creating the offices of State and County Superintendents; providing for their election and salaries, and prescribing their qualifications and duties; prescribing the duties of other officers in reference to the public schools and public school funds; making County judges ex-officio County Superintendents in all counties not having County Superintendents, and providing for their compensation; providing for reports of school officers and teachers; providing for the creation of school districts in all of the counties of this State; providing for the election of school trustees and prescribing their qualifications and duties; providing for the creation of county line districts; providing for levying and collecting special taxes for the further maintenance of the public free schools and the erection of school houses; providing for the issuance of common school district bonds for building purposes, and providing a sinking fund therefor; providing for the creation of independent school districts at eleemosynary institutions, and appointment of trustees therefor; providing for independent school districts in cities and towns, and in towns and villages, and in independent districts incorporated for school purposes only; providing for the issuance of bonds for school pur-

poses in independent districts, and creating sinking funds therefor; providing for the levy of special taxes by independent districts; providing for the election of school trustees in independent districts, and providing for the election of school trustees in independent districts and prescribing their qualifications and duties, and naming and enumerating the officers of independent districts school boards and the duties and powers thereof; providing for school houses and school supplies; fixing the scholastic age; providing for taking the school census; authorizing trustees to administer oaths; providing penalties for refusing to answer questions regarding the age of children and other penalties regarding violations of the provisions of this Act; regulating the transfer of the school fund; providing separate schools for white and for colored children and prescribing the studies to be taught therein; fixing the scholastic year and length of the school month; providing for boards of examiners and the issuance of teachers' certificates; providing compensation and prescribing the duties of teachers employed thereunder; providing for the extension of teachers' certificates; providing for the cancellation of teachers' certificates; providing for the teaching of manual training; regulating conveyances and bequests for the benefit of the public schools; prescribing who are entitled to the benefits of the public free schools; repealing certain laws, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

GRINNAN, Chairman.

ROADS, BRIDGES AND FERRIES.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 24, 1905.

Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

House bill No. 390, a bill to be entitled "An Act creating a more efficient road law for Comanche county," * * * etc.,

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

MARTIN, Chairman.

EDUCATION.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 24, 1905.

Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 235, a bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize, enable and permit the territory situated within the bounds of the city of Lancaster, in the county of Dallas, and the State of Texas, and other land and territory adjacent thereto, to incorporate as an independent school district for free school purposes only, to be known as the 'Lancaster Independent School District,' with all the powers, rights and duties of independent school districts formed by incorporation of towns and villages for free school purposes only,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

GRINNAN, Chairman.

MILITARY AFFAIRS.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 18, 1905.

Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 217, a bill to be entitled "An Act to define and provide for organizing and disciplining the militia, to prescribe the duties of the Governor, the Adjutant General and all officers and enlisted men thereof; to define military offenses; to provide for the trial and punishment thereof; to provide for the pay, transportation and subsistence of the militia when called into actual service, and repeal all laws in conflict therewith,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

CHAMBERS, Chairman.

THIRTY-THIRD DAY.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas,

Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1905.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment, Lieutenant Governor Neal in the chair.

Roll called, quorum present, the fol-